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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-captioned application, kindly enter the following amendment.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Kindly rewrite claims 4-7 as follows:

4. (Amended) Superabsorbent material according to claim 1, in which said non-acidic compound is present in an amount of 1-20wt. 7 with respect to the weight of superabsorbent material.

5. (Amended) Superabsorbent material according to claim 1, in which the non-acidic compound is homogeneously divided in the superabsorbent material.